REMARKS

The present application includes claims 10, 60-69, and 71. Examiner has noted that Applicant's Amendment After Final dated November 4, 2004 has overcome the 35 USC § 112 first paragraph rejection of claims 10, 60-69, and 71. However, because claims 10 and 69 are duplicative, and claims 10, 69, and 71 depend on canceled claims, Examiner has issued an Advisory Action.

With this amendment, duplicative claim 10 has been cancelled. Claims 69 and 71 have been amended to incorporate the limitations from the independent claims from which claims 69 and 71 had previously depended upon. Claim 60 has been amended to correct a typographical error. Thus, Applicant submits that claims 60-69 and 71 are now in a condition for allowance.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for reply to the Final Office Action dated August 18, 2004 for one month from November 18, 2004 to December 18, 2004. A check is enclosed to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to my deposit account number 13-0017.

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CONCLUSION

A Notice of Allowance is requested. If Examiner has any questions or Applicant can be of any assistance, Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact Applicant at the number below.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any necessary fees or credit any overpayment to the Deposit Account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Account No. 13-0017.

Respectfully submitted,

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